Social Events

SFC Samuel L. Doss, son of Mrs. Aubrey L. Doss, of Appomattox, is stationed in Korea. His address is: SFC Samuel L. Doss, 13396273, Btry. B. Msl. Bn., 44 Arty. A.P.O. 20, San Francisco, Calif.

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Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth St. John and sons, Dennis and James are spending several days in Hillsville.

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Mrs. Raymond Harris and children, Nancy and Micheal, of Norfolk, spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Rachel Cawthorne.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ben Marshall and sons, Steven, David and Mark, spent several days last week at Virginia Beach.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Montgomery and family spent last week at Virginia Beach.

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Mr. and Mrs. George Abbitt, Jr. and daughter, Nancy, spent the week end at the Cavalier Hotel, Virginia Beach, where Mr. Abbitt attended the Association of Commonwealth Attorneys of Virginia. Mr. Abbitt was among those who addressed the meeting. The Abbitt's were joined by their daughter, Miss Penny Abbitt, who is attending the University of North Carolina this summer.

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J. E. Jamerson, G. L. Doss, E. LeRoy Smith and O. R. Turner returned Saturday from Virginia Beach where they spent several days fishing.

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Miss Peggy Godsey visited her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Godsey, of South Boston, Va. last week end.

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Mr. and Mrs. Bert Lee, of Atlanta, Ga., spent several days this week visiting friends and relatives here. Their daughter, daughter, MISS Ann Lee visited in Hagerstown, Md.

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Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Moore and sons, T. E. and Al spent four days last week at Virginia Beach.

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Mr. and Mrs. Edwin S. Barron, Linda Earle, Steve and Mark, of Arlington, will arrive Friday to spend the week end in the home of Mrs. Barrons' parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Doss. Linda Earle and Steve, will remain for a two week's visit.

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AB Earline Virginia Smith, daughter of Mrs. Earline Smith, of Pamplin, is stationed at Lockland A.F.B., Texas.

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Mr. and Mrs. Merline Maxwell and family have returned to Moron, Utah, after spending several weeks with his mother, Mrs. B. C. Maxwell.

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Visitors in the home of Mrs. B. C. Maxwell recently were: Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Maxwell, of Lynchburg; Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Mann and family; Mr. and Mrs. Lenwood Harvey and family; Mrs. Earline Smith and family and Mr. Bust Flood, of Madisonville.

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A. W. Covington, who has been a patient in the Virginia Baptist Hospital, has returned to his home at Vera and is recovering satisfactorily.

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Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Kelsey have purchased the farm and dairying operation of the W. E. Ingee, Rt. 3. The Kelseys have three children, Phillip, Hardy, and Karen.

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Miss Nancy Boney, daughter of Mrs. R. B. Boney and the late Mr. Boney, is home recovering from a tonsillectomy.

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Miss Nancy Vance, of Bristol, will arrive Thursday to visit Miss Peggy Godsey. They were former roommates at Radford College.

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Mr. Tom Freeman, of Knoxville, Tennessee, and Lt. Col. Lawrence Freeman and family, of Columbus, Ga., visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Freeman and Mrs. Anna Lee Godsey during the past week end.

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Mrs. John Gunter and Mrs. Walker Covington have just completed a course in elementary education at Longwood College, Farmville.

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Mrs. R. A. Covington has returned to her home in Roanoke after spending sometime with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Walker Covington.

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John Ivey and Tom Holland spent the week end at Virginia Beach.

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Mrs. David Wooldridge and son, David Norman, spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Wooldridge. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Harry B. Stanley and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cumbie, Jr., of Lynchburg.

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Mr. and Mrs. Norman Wooldridge are now occupying an apartment in the Times-Virginian Building.

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Miss Brenda Lee McCormick, of Lynchburg, and Miss Debra Chernault are spending a few days this week with Mrs. Ed Blackwell.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Ford, Jr. and daughters, Donnis and Debra, of Roanoke, spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Ford's mother, Mrs. Clara Mitchell. Debra remained for the week.

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Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lacy Mayberry over the week were Mr. and Mrs. Rann Mann, of Appomattox; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Long, of Buena Vista; also Mr. Robert Goin, of Appomattox; and Wayne Reed, of Crewe; and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Cyrus and sons.

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David Reed and David Barker and son spent Sunday at Woodstock with relatives.

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H. D. Folks and family are vacationing in the Smoky Mountains this week.

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The Barker family and the Reid family are vacationing in Eastern Virginia this week.

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Sgt. and Mrs. Everett Blackwell, formerly of Appomattox, are in town making arrangements for Mrs. Blackwell and their two children to stay here while Sgt. Blackwell is on duty with the Air Force in Labrador. Mrs. Blackwell is the former Miss Lora Fleishman.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Lewis and Katheryn, Nancy, Ray and Bill spent the week end with relatives in Victoria. They were accompanied by Billy Vaughan, who spent last week with them. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis also visited friends and relatives in Petersburg on Saturday.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Hunt, of Raleigh, N. C., visited Mrs. W. R. Reynolds and Mrs. Hazel R. Mann during the week end. They also visited Mr. Hunt's mother, who is ill at her home in Sweet Brier.

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Mr. and Mrs. Emmett McCraw and three children are vacationing at Virginia Beach.

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Mr. and Mrs. William C. Hubbard and two children will leave Saturday for a three-week camping trip through the New England States and into Canada.

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Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Mathews and family, Dr. and Mrs. S. R. Lawson and family and Freddy Luck spent the week end camping at Sherando Lake.

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Mr. Williams, of Emporia, is spending sometime with his son-in-law and daughter, Rev. and Mrs. F. S. Wagoner.

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Mrs. Aileen Musgrove was a guest this week in the home of her nephew, Samuel L. Ferguson.

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Mr. and Mrs. F. Prieto, of St. Petersburg, Fla., visited friends and relatives here this week. They were accompanied home by their daughter Ginger Prieto and their cousin Lina Trent. Ginger has been a guest in the Trent home for three weeks.

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Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Lawson and two children, Rindy and Sue, Miss Judy Smith and Miss Faye Fuller spent several days last week at Virginia Beach.

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Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Ferguson and family, of Louisville, Ky., are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Robert Ferguson.

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Mrs. DeWitt Evans and Miss Annie Alvis motored to Newport News Wednesday. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Evans' daughter, Mrs. Neal Fletcher, Jr. and son, Ed. Mr. Fletcher will join them for the week end.

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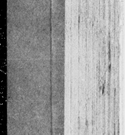
Lt. John Evans, of Ft. Benning, Ga., is spending a leave here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Evans.

Revival—Hebron Baptist Church August 4 To August 9

Revival Services will begin at Hebron Baptist Church, Route 4, Appomattox Va. Sunday, August 4th and will continue each evening at 8 p.m. through Friday, August 9th. The Church Music will be under the direction of Mrs. W. E. Boodurant, Jr. with Mrs. John P. Alvis, Jr. at the Organ.

Rev. R. E. McDowell will be the guest minister. He received his education at the University of Richmond and the Southern Seminary at Louisville, Ky. He is now pastor of the Falling River Baptist Church, Brookneal, Va.



Rev. McDowell is a friendly minister and I am sure all of us will enjoy his able messages and the opportunity of knowing him personally.

Our friends and neighbors are invited to share with us in these services.

PUBLIC AUCTION SALE

The Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Highways, will offer for sale to the highest bidder at Public Auction on

Friday, July 26, 1963 at 11 A. M.

beginning at the Mayberry dwelling at Spout Spring and continuing Eastward all the following buildings situated along the proposed location of Route 460, Project 0460-006-105, c-503.

FORMER OWNERS	DESCRIPTION
(1) Jack O. Mayberry and wife	36'x41', 2 story frame dwelling
(2) Norman C. Turner Estate	30'x40', 1 story frame service station — 10'x20' frame garage
(3) H. B. Martin	26'x38', 1½ story dwelling
(4) H. Russel Woodson and wife	16'x31', 1 story frame dwelling. 24'x27', 2 story frame service station, 6'x6' brick well cover with pump and tank.
(5) Hunter and Eva M. Jamerson	28'x48', 1 story frame dwelling 4'x4' (outdoor) brick fireplace.

TERMS OF SALE: Ten per cent (10%) of the purchase price is to be paid in cash to the District Right of Way Engineer or his representative at the time and place of sale, the remaining sum to be paid in cash within (5) days from the date of this sale. Buildings are to be removed within 60 days after written notice to proceed to remove.

The removal shall include the satisfactory disposal of all materials above the foundations. Foundation walls or columns and porches may be left extending above the existing ground surface providing they consist of non-combustible materials such as stone, brick or concrete. All other materials must be disposed of or removed from the right of way.

In the event that the buildings are not removed within the specified 60 days, the purchaser shall forfeit all right and title to same and shall also forfeit the purchase price, and in addition be liable for cost incurred in removal by the Commonwealth.

No bids will be accepted from state employees or from any person employed in connection with appraisals and/or acquisition of the rights of way of the above project.

The Commonwealth of Virginia reserves the right to reject any and all bids offered at this sale. Information regarding these sales and the terms of the sales may be obtained from District Right of Way Engineers Office of the Department of Highways, Lynchburg, Virginia.

Auctioneer will be W. B. Caldwell of W. B. Caldwell and Company, Harris Building, South Boston, Virginia.

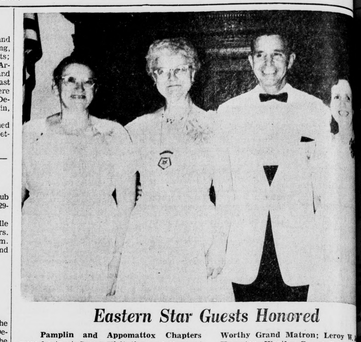
J. R. Preston, District Right of Way Engineer

Eastern Star Guests Honored

Virginia State Officers of Order of Eastern Star of '63 - '64 were honored guests at a banquet, Friday night at the Parkway Restaurant, Appomattox, Va., given by the Pamplin Chapter No. 58 and Appomattox Chapter No. 10.

After the banquet, a meeting of the two chapters and honor guests was held at the chapter room of the Masonic Hall at Appomattox. Honored guests were Mrs. Eva R. Martin, Richmond, Worthy Grand Matron; Leroy W. Johnson, Hampton, Worthy Grand Patron; Mrs. Agnesa Messing, Waynesboro, Grand Organists; and Mrs. Mabel L. Sellers, Arlington Grand Treasurer and Past Grand Matron. Other Past Grand Matrons honored were Mrs. Sibyl J. Topping, Fort Defiance and Mrs. Veva Spain, Lynchburg.

The two chapters entertained with a reception after the meeting.



Eastern Star Guests Honored

Pamplin and Appomattox Chapters were hosts at Grand Visitation and Banquet Friday night, July 19. Left to right, Mrs. Grace Williams, Worthy Matron, Pamplin Chapter 58; Mrs. Eva Martin, Richmond Worthy Grand Matron; Leroy W. Hampton, Worthy Grand Patron; Mrs. Lula Ashworth, Worthy Matron, Appomattox Chapter 40.

Skilled Organist To Give Recital

Professor H. Max Smith, an artist in residence at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, brings with him to his organ recital in Appomattox on August 4 an impressive list of accomplishments.

Professor Smith's recital is scheduled for 8 p.m. at Liberty Baptist Church, a part of the week-long Music Clinic sponsored by the Appomattox Association of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Still in his early 30's, Smith has been on the faculty of the University of Oklahoma, organist - choirmaster, St. Paul's Methodist Church, New York and organist for First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and First Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, Texas. He has twice been winner of two regional organ playing competitions by the American Guild of Organist. His publications include six articles for the "Church Musician" and two choral compositions for the "Church Musician."

He is married to the former Miss Mary Jane McCoy of Greenville, S. C., and Mrs. Smith will also be a part of the faculty for the Music Clinic.

Bon Voyage Tea For Miss Moon

The Young Adult Sunday School Class of Spout Spring Baptist Church is sponsoring a bon voyage tea for Miss Hazel Moon Sunday, August 4 from 3 to 5 p. m. at the church. Miss Moon will be leaving for Africa Tuesday, August 6. All of her friends are invited to come by and say farewell.

Cancer Receipts Reach New High

Receipts of the American Cancer Society in Virginia for the current year have reached an all - time high of $673,355, it was announced today by Morrill M. Crowe, of Richmond, State Chairman of the 1963 Cancer Crusade.

Mr. Crowe made his announcement following a meeting in Richmond of the Executive Committee of the Society's Virginia Division. He said that the Cancer Society's program year closes August 31, and that additional receipts are expected to raise the 1963 Crusade total to $705,000 or more. Last year's total was $672,125.

In a ten year period, the Society's receipts in Virginia have steadily increased from $281,563 in 1954 to this year's total of $673,355.

Thousands of volunteer workers in Virginia have been participating in the Division's educational and fund - raising campaign. Funds received will be used, according to Mr. Crowe, to finance public and professional education activities, services to cancer patients, and the National Society's research program.

The Virginia Division is made up of 102 Local Units representing all counties and cities in the state.

Smith Family Holds Reunion

The sons, daughters, grandchildren, great grand children, nieces nephews and friends of the late Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Smith met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Redding and son, Johnnie, for a family reunion Sunday, July 21. A bountiful picnic lunch was enjoyed by all.

Those present were: E. LeRoy Smith, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hunter and son, Howlett, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Brown and daughter, Karen, of Rockville, Md., Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Smith, Mrs. O. L. Scheffler; Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith and son, Greg, of Durham, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Waters and three children, Shirley, Craig and Rex, of Luray, Va.; Mrs. S. G. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wheeler and three children, Louise, David and TOMMIE.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Jamerson, of Bedford, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Smith and son John, of Clintwood, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Galen Smith and Miss Klora Smith, of Frederick, Md.; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith and daughter, Edna, of Middletown, Md.; Mr. Russell Smith, of Mrsville, Md.; Mr. Jake Pace, of Alton, Va., Miss Marie Booth, of Floyd, Va., Miss Faye Craft, of Clifton Forge Va., Mrs. E. S. Meanley, of Bedford, Va., and the Rev. Forrest Wagoner.

HD Schedule

The Home Demonstration Club schedule for week of July 29-August 2.

August 1, Thurs. — Oakville H. D. Club will meet with Mrs. O. W. Martin, Jr., at 6:30 p.m. Annual home demonstration and 4-H Picnic will be held.

Rabies Clinic Well Attended

The Rabies Clinic held by the Buckingham County Health Department on July 11th at the Court House was well attended. Dr. F. J. Clements, Director, reports that 57 dogs were vaccinated. The next scheduled dog clinic in Buckingham County, sponsored by the Health Department, will be October 10th at 2 p.m. at the Court House.

Liberty Chapel

Mrs. Paul Thornhill was called to Chase City last Tuesday due to the death of her sister, Mrs. Hilton Johnson. Others attending the funeral on Thursday were Paul Thornhill, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Don Thornhill and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sperry.

Mrs. J. H. Reynolds, who has been visiting with her daughters has returned home. Visiting her now are Mrs. Lyle Davidson, Steve and Joe Ann, of Columbus, Ohio.

Visiting several days this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thornhill are Mrs. Mammie Lay and daughter, Joyice, of Abingdon.

Visiting Mrs. Mildred Mann over the week end were Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Thornhill, Mr. Billy Thornhill and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Williams and sons, all of Roanoke and Mrs. Harry White, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Harry White, Jr. and son, of Lynchburg. Mrs. White remained for a longer visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Thornhill, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sperry, Wendy and Johnnie and Mr. and Mrs. Don Thornhill and Donnie were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Mills, of Farmville.

Mrs. Lonnie Reynolds and children attended the Martin reunion Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gibb Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Tolly visited Saturday evening in the homes of Mrs. Mildred Mann and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Thornhill.

Former Coach At AHS Dies Of Heart Attack

Charles A. Hill, agricultural relations manager of Pet Milk Company, died late Tuesday night (June 18) at the Purdue University Health Center in Lafayette, Indiana, following a heart attack at a luncheon earlier in the day. Hill was to have been the speaker at a luncheon of the American Dairy Science Association at its annual meeting being held at the University.

Hill, 49, was born in Tazewell county, Virginia, and lived at 658 a Loughborough in St. Louis. He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Mary Ayleen Dresser, a daughter, Ayleen, and four sisters and two brothers in Virginia. Burial was at Tannersville, Va., on Saturday, June 22.

Hill was a graduate of Emory and Henry College in Emory, Va.

He taught mathematics and coached baseball and football for two years in Appomattox, Virginia high school before joining Pet Milk Company in 1939 as a fieldman in Greenville, Tenn. Hill was transferred to Fremont, Ohio, in 1943 where he was head fieldman for seven years. He went to Bryan, Ohio, (1950-1953) as a district field superintendent covering the states of Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Maryland and Delaware. He was appointed as agricultural relations manager of the company in 1960.

Hill was one of the most sought - after speakers in the field of agriculture and talked in virtually every section of the country.

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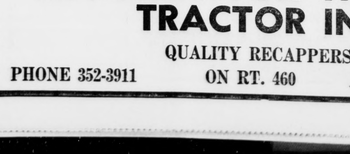

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Hollywood

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Almond, Hazel Almond and Brenda visited Mary and Charlie Bagby Friday night. Mr. Almond served watermelon to the Bagby's guests.

Friends are so very sorry to hear of the illness of Mrs. Fred T. Morris. We do hope she may soon be well again.

Charlie Bagby, Mrs. Emma Lemon, Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Joiner and Mrs. Ossie Coghill visited Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Bagby, of Farmville, Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Stanley, Mrs. John Lewis and Mrs. Jamerson called in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Banton and Mary and Charlie Bagby Monday afternoon.

Those calling in the C. R. Banton home this week were Mr. and Mrs. Hal Bryant and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Franklin and Billy.

Mrs. Ossie Coghill, Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Joiner, Mrs. Emma Lemon and Charlie Bagby visited Mr. and Mrs. Gus Torrence Saturday night.

David Franklin was supper guest of his mother, Mrs. C. E. Franklin, Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bagby had as their house guests for the week Mr. Bagby's cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Joiner from Herndon, Ky. Mrs. Ossie Coghill of Richmond, and Mrs. Emma Lemon. Mrs. Lemon was cohostess in the Bagby home for the week. The Joiners visited relatives in Lynchburg, Farmville, Phenix, Buckingham and Appomattox while here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. O'Brien had as their guests Thursday night, Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Joiner, Mrs. Ossie Coghill, Mrs. Emma Lemon, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Torrence, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bagby, Mr. Walter Morris, Mr. Joe O'Brien and Mrs. Maurine Huffman and little daughter.

Mrs. W. T. Covington spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bagby. Mrs. Jim Carson and little grandson visited in this same home Sunday afternoon.

A large number from Hollywood attended the funeral of Mr. Edward Lee Elder of Nathalie, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Curry Bailey, of Phenix, had as their diner guest Wednesday, Mrs. Ossie Coghill, Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Joiner, Mrs. Emma Lemon, Mary and Charlie Bagby and Mr. and Mrs. Myert Mann.

Friends and relatives are so sorry to know Mrs. Nona Bryant continues ill. We hope she may soon be well.

Mrs. Emma Lemon, Mrs. Ossie Coghill, Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Joiner, Mary and Charlie Bagby visited Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Banton Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Day, of Lynchburg, were week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Webb.

Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Joiner were guests of Mr. Walter Morris Friday. While there they called in the homes of Mrs. Bob Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Morris. Mrs. Repass, Mrs. Fannie Harris, and Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Cook.

Mrs. Mildred Bagby, of Lynchburg, visited Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bagby Friday.

Grover Beasley was Sunday guest of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Grover Beasley.

Those who went on a picnic to Holiday Lake Saturday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Curry Bailey, Mrs. R. A. Covington, Ossie Coghill, Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Joiner, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Torrence, Mrs. Emma Lemon, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wingfield, Julia and Mary Ellen and Mary and Charlie Bagby.

Friends and relatives are so glad to see A. W. Covington out driving around.

Appomattox Park Praises

May 30, 1963

Mr. Dept. of the Interior
Park Service
Udall, Secretary
Secretary:

Just completed a tour of the Civil War Battlefields of Gettysburg, Antietam, Harpers Ferry, Manassas, Fredericksburg, Richmond, Petersburg and ending at Appomattox.

Each battlefield I would first stop at the visitors' center, buy a folder, see the museum and start on my tour. At each I must say, that I was treated as if I was the only person there. I have never met a group of more intelligent or more competent, courteous guides as I have on this tour.

The Park Department is to be congratulated. The parks were well kept, the tours were plainly marked for driving or walking guides or attendents, as I have already stated, the best.

At many stops, the one that I want to praise the most was Appomattox. The three guides that I talked to there were the best. I was taught more Civil War history in two hours with them than I have read about since I became interested in the Civil War. I forget their names, but I wish there was some way I could tell them, for me, how much I appreciated their in-

Thanking you again, Mr. Udall, for your fine job, I remain,

Yours truly,
Bob Hulles
R. D. 1, Box 87
Bridgeport, Ohio

THE BIBLE SPEAKS

By Dr. Kenneth J. Foreman

Bible Material: Genesis 3 through 11.

Devotional Reading: I John 3: 11-12; 4:7-8, 20-21.

Why Should I Care

Lesson for July 28, 1963

One Story can have many points. It can be used to illustrate more truths than one. The story of Cain and Abel is a case in point. A thoughtful reader can see in this story how sin gathers weight like an avalanche, moving slowly at first, just a little snowslide, but finally picking up boulders and entire houses, crushing everything in its path. Sin that begins with something attractive and pleasant (like eating fruit) before long becomes violent, ugly, repulsive, like murder. The reader can also see in the story of Cain and Abel that sin needs very little excuse to break out. Not long ago a young man in Virginia murdered three people on one afternoon, all because one of them (the three were one family) had injured him" and his work. The brutal young man made criticism an excuse for murder.

God's two questions

But we shall not be speaking of those and other aspects of this sad story only of one part of it. The Bible, from which God talks, in the Bible story, is "Where are you?" The next question is "Who told you—?" Shortly afterward, "What is this that you have done?" Then in the story of Cain and Abel, again God opens with a question: "Where is Abel you brother?" Where are you? Who told you the lie you have believed? What have you done? Adam and Eve had not expected those questions. Neither was Cain looking for the question he got. Cain thought he had finished with Abel. That chapter was closed. The account was balanced. He drew a bloody finger across the page. But God faced him with a question. If Cain expected God to take any interest or to make any comment on what Cain considered to be his own affair, it would be an attack, an accusation. But all God does is ask a simple question. It is the most important question there is, next to "Where are you?"

Keeper or brother?

Perhaps Cain thought that a God who would ask questions instead of coming down at once with a curse, must be a weak God. At any rate he makes no defense. His reply is another question, an insolent one: "Am I my brother's keeper?" That was not the point, as Dr. James W. Clarke of Richmond has said. No, Cain was not Abel's keeper, of course not. "Who wants a keeper?" Nobody wants a keeper. But everybody needs a brother. Abel needed a brother, and Cain had not been one.

But the sin of murder does not begin, usually, all at once. This crime of Cain's began with a refusal: a refusal to be a keeper, when after all a keeper was not called for. He was responsible for Abel; that was something that perhaps had never occurred to him. And if it had, he shrugged it off. If he could forget that Abel was a brother, then what happened to Abel, even what he himself did to Abel, didn't matter,—so he thought.

Responsibility:

to God, for our brother

What is the root of the troubles in today's world? A great deal of it (though of course not all, for the roots of evil are many!) is just this indifference to what happenss to other people. We don't want to be responsible, and when we do start to help some one else, we want to be keerer, not brother. We are willing to tell other people where to get off, we may like to run their affairs, to think and plan for them; but this is not brotherhood. To be responsible for others is not to live their lives for them. It is treating them like brothers. Once you get to the point of indifference where you don't really care what happens to another person, you are close to no caring even if he is murdered . . . And that, in the eyes of God is not far from doing the murder yourself. How many juvenile delinquents have gone down into worse ways because no man would be an older brother to one of them? How many marriages have gone on the rocks because their friends, who could see it coming, did nothing to stave off the tragedy? How many young people have taken the road to alcoholism because their parents didn't feel responsible for setting an example of temperance and self-denial? How many lives have been wasted because there was no one who really cared?

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Pastor Speaks

Pastor Says—

HOW BIG IS YOUR BIBLE? A minister discovered the Book of Jonah had been cut from his Bible. Under questioning his young son confessed he was guilty. When pressed for a reason he said 'You dad, never believed it, you never preached from it, or read it in family devotions, so what good is it? It might as well be cu out'. Jehiakim, a king in Israel, discovered God's word was distasteful, so he took his penknife and cut the pages and cast them in the fire on the hearth. (Jeremiah 36:23) These two are not the last ones to mutilate God's word. Some wouldn't dare cut the pages from God's book, but they never make any attempt to live by its teachings. My dad told a story about a man who tore the pages from the family Bible to 'roll his own cigarette.' When admonished for doing such an unsuitable thing he replied, 'I got more out of it than most other people'.

What is our Bible for? Do we put it in a neat place in the home as a shrine before whom we worship, or is it the 'God-Breathed Word', to be read and lived?

Some Christians use only a part of the Bible, relegating other parts. We do this, either because we don't understand, and make no effort to let the Holy Spirit reveal it to us or, we don't like the truth a particular part teaches us. We leave it off which means we might as well cut it out.

It is like a person who will eat English Walnuts, but will not eat Black Walnuts, because they are so hard to crack.

The Bible cries out against injustices in many realms of life. We rationalize those parts that do not follow our particular tradition or custom. But when it comes to the promises of salvation and the future life, we hang on for dear life. When it talks about gossip, backbiting or tattling, we usually say but that is not for me. But let it speak about eternal life, a home in heaven, we say that's for me.

The Bible is God's message to man — to man in all areas and circumstances of living. It is to be read and grasped by the help of the Holy Spirit.

It reveals Christ, our Saviour and Lord, and his place in your life and mine. Take another look at your Bible. Go into your parlor, or wherever you have it. Take it down, brush off the dust. Begin reading it, asking yourself, what does God have to say to me? It will begin to speak to you. Strangely, it will become relevant to your need. God does have some word for you, and he will communicate it to you. This will lead you to find some place to study God's word. Here you may feel your need to become active in Bible Study through Sunday School, or some other activity your Church offers for enlarging the Bible in your life. It may not have all the answers to your needs, but it will put you in touch with one — Christ — Who is the answer to your life's needs. Take it with you as you worship God in His House this Sunday.

O. D. Moore
Liberty Baptist Church.

Evergreen

Rev. V. L. Hudson was guest speaker at a revival at Union Grove Baptist Church last week.

Sympathy is extended to Rev. W. H. Elder in the passing of his father, Mr. Edward Lee Elder, last Friday at Nathlie.

Mrs. S. C. Ransom, Mrs. R. E. Gowin visited Mrs. Clara Garrett, and Mrs. Alice Jackson, Sunday p.m.

Mr. Kermit C. Paulette, of Orange, spent Sunday at his home here.

Those who visited Mrs. C. J. Paulette and Mrs. Alberta C. Ferguson last week were Mrs. W. T. Puckett, Mrs. Taylor Powell and children of Lynchburg, Mrs. O. C. Paulette and grandson, Wilson Staples, Mrs. E. T. Bruce and children, Bonny and Milton.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Dickerson, of Pamplin, Mrs. Mae Ballinger, of Lynchburg, visited Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Glover last week.

Luncheon guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Sam B. Ferguson were Mr. and Mrs. Harry T. Ferguson of Vera, Mrs. C. J. Paulette, Mrs Alberta C. Ferguson, of Evergreen.

Janice Paulette, of Phenix, spent last week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Garrett.

Our revival begins at the Baptist Church the 28th next Sunday night. Rev. Frank Metcalf, of New Chapel Baptist Church will be the guest speaker.

Miss Barbara Kay Staples, Miss Emelia Bruce returned home Tuesday from Y.W.A.Camp at Virginia Beach for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bowling and daughter, Mary, of Sioux City, Iowa; Mrs. Mary Williams, of Detroit, Mich., visited Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Garrett and Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Paulette last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Austin, of Lynchburg, were supper guests Sunday night of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Harvey and family.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pugh, of Richwood, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Garrett, Sunday.

AHS Graduates In U. S. Navy

Seaman Recruit, Samuel S. Phelps, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel C. Phelps, route 4, Appomattox, and Tony Edward Mann, Seaman Recruit, Pamplin, recently enlisted in the U. S. Navy and are in recruit training at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center, Illinois. By enlisting in the "BUDDY" plan, they are assured of going through training together.

Both graduated from Appomattox High School in June. Phelps enlisted in the Nuclear Electrics field and Mann enlisted in the Polaris Missile field. Both fields lead to duty aboard nuclear submarines after extensive training and technical schools.

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